

## RACINE PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM (RPCP)

### RPCP Facts and Figures for 2019-20 As of October 2019

In October 2019, there were twenty seven (27) private schools participating in the RPCP, with a total enrollment of 3,650 students or 3,558.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) in the program.\* The 2019-20 RPCP state aid payment for a student enrolled full-time in the RPCP in grade kindergarten through eight is \$8,046 and \$8,692 for a student enrolled full-time in grade nine through twelve. The program is estimated to cost \$29,200,000 in 2019-20.

Act 55 (Wisconsin 2015-17 Biennial Budget) changed the manner in which the RPCP is funded. Students that participated in the program prior to the 2015-16 school year will continue to be fully funded from state general purpose revenue.

Pupils who begin attending a private school under the RPCP in the 2015-16 school year and thereafter are referred to as “incoming pupils.” State law requires Racine Unified School District (RUSD) to have its state general aid reduced by an amount equal to the amount paid by the state to participating private schools attributable to the incoming pupils residing in the district.

If RUSD does not receive general aid payments sufficient to cover the incoming choice pupil aid reduction, the balance would be reduced from other state aids received by the district. Incoming pupils in the RPCP are included in RUSD’s membership for state general aid purposes in the following year. The district may not levy to backfill the aid reduction. However, RUSD receives a non-recurring revenue limit exemption equal to the general state aid reduction.

Table 1 shows the RPCP enrollment by grade level. The number of students listed in the table is reported by headcount and FTE. For example, a four-year-old kindergarten student may be counted as 0.5 or 0.6 FTE.

**TABLE 1**  
**RPCP 2019-20 Enrollment by Grade Level\***

	<b>3rd Friday in September 2019</b>	
<b><u>Grade Level</u></b>	<b><u>Headcount</u></b>	<b><u>FTE</u></b>
4 Year-Old Kindergarten	205	113.0
5 Year-Old Kindergarten	290	290.0
1st Grade	338	338.0
2nd Grade	328	328.0
3rd Grade	291	291.0
4th Grade	264	264.0
5th Grade	319	319.0
6th Grade	313	313.0
7th Grade	319	319.0
8th Grade	273	273.0
9th Grade	222	222.0
10th Grade	190	190.0
11th Grade	180	180.0
12th Grade	118	118.0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,650</b>	<b>3,558.0</b>

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Table 2 provides the total number of students in the RPCP by where (and if) they were enrolled in school in 2018-19.

**TABLE 2**

### 2019-20 RPCP Students' Prior Year Enrollments\*

2018-19 Enrollment	3rd Friday in September 2019			
	Headcount**	% of Headcount	FTE	% of FTE
Wisconsin Private School	2,870	78.63%	2,867.2	80.58%
Wisconsin Public School	479	13.12%	479.0	13.46%
No School	247	6.77%	157.8	4.44%
Homeschooled	33	0.90%	33.0	0.93%
Out of State	21	0.58%	21.0	0.59%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,650</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,558.0</b>	<b>100%</b>

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\*\* Of the 2,870 students enrolled in private school in 2018-19, 2,812 (2,809.2 FTE) participated in the RPCP. Of the remaining 58 students (58.0 FTE) enrolled in a private school in 2018-19, 17 (17.0 FTE) students applied to kindergarten, 7 students applied to first grade and 26 students applied to ninth grade for the 2019-20 school year, and the remaining 8 students applied to other grades under the new law for combined governing board agreements.